

Boston. September 24th 1844.

Dear Sir

I have this moment taken your favor of the 20th list from the office. The note of a fortnight ago to which you refer, I received at a very hurried moment just as I was preparing to get into the Cars to go to town to attend a meeting of the Union Association. I just glanced at it, ~~and~~ under the idea that it came from Mr May of Lexington, I sent a verbal answer by a gentleman who expected to meet him in a day or two. In reply to the 1st interrogatory, in your favor of the 20th. "Has the Reply in question been forwarded to its destination?" I answer in the negative, it has not been forwarded. The 2^d & 3^d interrogatories "at what time?" "To what address was ~~it~~ it sent?" are answered as far as they can be in the answer to the 1st. To the 3^d inquiry, "the number of names attached to the Reply?" I answer that to the copy engraved on parchment, there are I think 93 names attached. Those by me between forty & fifty more names received since the Reply was engraved, but not yet recorded. I suppose there would be at least 140 signatures, were the engraved copy completed.

It would occupy more time than I have at my disposal for me to write at length the considerations which have governed the Committee in permitting the delay that has occurred. The Committee met at my study on Thursday next at 10 o'clock A. M.

for final action in the premises -

Very Respectfully

Yrs friend W W W

J. R. Lottrop.

Rev. Samuel May.
- Leicester.

Dr. Lothrop's Letter, in (Sept. 1844)
relation to Reply to the
British Unitarian "Address" on Slavery.

Rev. Samuel May.

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